

# Kin-Buc decision expected at DEP in Trenton today

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TRENTON — The long-awaited decision by the state Department of Environmental Protection on Kin-Buc's appli-

cation for a new landfill and chemical treatment facility is expected today.

Beatrice Tylutki, director of solid waste administration at DEP, called a meeting for this morning of Edison and Middlesex County officials to brief them on the state's action. A press briefing is scheduled to follow that.

The administrator had previously hinted of a conditional approval which would impose new restrictions on the proposed Meadow Road facility, alongside the Raritan River.

The DEP has forbidden the existing landfill to accept more chemicals because of environmental problems there. That landfill (Kin-Buc I) was to be phased out with the construction of the new landfill and chemical treatment facility (Kin-Buc II and III.)

Opposition to the new facility on an adjoining site has continued to swell in the form of one lawsuit filed by the owner of a neighboring industrial park, and in other threatened litigation.

The "208" Water Quality Management Program has authorized its chairman, William

Kruse, to contact the state Department of Public Advocate in pursuing legal action.

Representatives of that group will attend today's meeting.

Edison Mayor Thomas Paterniti said if the state approves Kin-Buc II and III he will consult with Edison Township Attorney Roland Winter to seek "alternatives." He said the township will be represented at today's meeting in Com-

missioner David J. Bardin's conference room at the Labor and Industries building.

Next week, both the DEP and the state Public Utilities Commission is expected to hear testimony on the DEP's plans to revoke Kin-Buc's license which allows continued dumping of chemicals and solid waste at the existing landfill. However, that hearing will not affect the plans for new facilities.